

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

September 10, 2007

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
William Alston, V. Chairman
Amy Hughes, Treasurer
Shaun Hayes, Member
Richard Canoy, Secretary

Others Present:

Randy Blackwood, DC
Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Sandra Wietzel, Area Coord.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by Frazier. Frazier welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

The August 13, 2007 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Hayes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of August 13, 2007.

The Treasurer's Report will be presented during the October meeting

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

- Alston reported that RC&D is currently seeking a new director for the Piedmont Conservation Council.
- RC&D Annual Meeting is being held at the Grove Park Inn this month.

Blackwood gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

- Blackwood reported there are no new applications to present at this time.

Blackwood and Parks gave the Community Conservation Report as follows:

- The Randolph SWCD has sold its last rain barrel. The district will not be ordering new barrels until the office moves its location.
- Glenn King has begun work on the EEP Project – UT Sandy Creek.

Frazier reported that the Area 3 Fall Meeting will be held October 25, 2007 in Montgomery County. Pre-registration is \$25 and registration at the door will be \$30. Parks encouraged supervisors to pre-register if they know they will be attending. The morning session will be the meeting/business session and after lunch the group will tour Jordan Lumber Company. Frazier reported that he will not be in attendance due to a family obligation. Frazier asked Weitzel if she would check to see if he needs to let the Commission know that he will have missed two Area 3 Meetings this year due to family obligations. Weitzel will check on this information and get back with Frazier.

Discussion was had regarding the NCASWCD Standing Committees. Alston expressed his interest to be nominated for the alternate seat on the Legislative Committee once again; and Frazier expressed his interest to be nominated for the District Operations seat for Area 3. Parks will complete the nomination form and mail to the appropriate person.

Frazier reported that the NCASWCD Community Conservation Standing Committee Meeting will be held September 19, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in Raleigh at the Ag Services Building.

Volunteers are needed to work the Soil and Water Conservation Booth at the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh October 12-21, 2007. Those interested in working 3 hour shifts during these dates were asked to contact Susan Woodard, Johnston SWCD, 919/934-7156 ext. 3 or email her at

susan.woodard@nc.nacdnet.net. Those that sign up to work the booth will receive free tickets into the fair and free parking.

Parks handed out Gator Raffle Tickets to each supervisor – tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Ticket stubs and money should be turned back in to Parks by November 1, 2007. The drawing will be held at the NCASWCD Annual Meeting in January 2008 and proceeds will benefit the projects and activities supported by NCASWCD and the NCDEA.

Parks presented 2 brochures for the Randolph SWCD Education Opportunities to be mailed to the schools in the county. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously on the “short version” of the brochures presented and Parks will be mailing them out shortly.

At this time the board discussed the 2008 Resource Priority ranking questions. Hayes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the following ranking questions for the 2008 EQIP program year:

1. Is the applicant requesting assistance for a waste and/or mortality management system? 55 points
2. Will the application limit animals from accessing creeks or other water bodies? 25 points
3. Is the applicant a new/beginning farmer? 10 points
4. Is the applicant requesting assistance for a waste storage structure? 10 points

Parks reminded supervisors to make their reservations for the NCASWCD Annual Meeting at the Grove Park Inn in January to guarantee a room at the main hotel.

Food, Land, and People Facilitator’s Training is being held the end of September in Raleigh. Hughes may attend this training.

Discussion was had on the Certified Conservation Planner criteria.

Wietzel reported that the National Envirothon would be held in Asheville, NC in 2009. People volunteers, monetary donations will be needed for this event. Plans are underway for this event.

Blackwood reported that the funding for Joe Hudyncia will run out September 30, 2007. NRCS is hoping to use Technical Service Provider (TSP) funds to continue funding Hudyncia’s position assisting the SWCD/NRCS with updating CNMP’s.

Parks reported that the NACD President’s Association is sponsoring their fund raising raffle again this year. Tickets are available for \$5.00 each for a \$1,000 grand prize drawing to be held at the NACD Annual Meeting in Reno, February 2008.

The following consent items were approved:

-ENOTES – NACD (8/14/07, 8/21/07, 8/28/07)

-NACD News & Views

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be October 8, 2007 at 7:30 a.m.
Federal Building, 241 Sunset Avenue
Asheboro, NC 27203